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**281—25.24 (260I)** Eligible certificate programs. For the purposes of this chapter, "eligible certificate program" means a program meeting all of the following criteria:

**25.24(1)** The program is not offered for credit, but is aligned with a certificate, diploma, or degree for credit, and does at least one of the following:

- a. Offers a nationally, locally, or state-recognized certificate.
- b. Offers preparation for a professional examination or licensure.
- c. Provides endorsement for an existing credential or license.
- d. Represents recognized skill standards defined by an industrial sector.
- e. Offers a similar PACE credential or training.

**25.24(2)** The program offers training or a credential in an in-demand occupation. For the purposes of this chapter, "in-demand occupation" includes occupations in information technology, health care, advanced manufacturing, transportation and logistics, and any other industry designated as in-demand by a regional advisory board established pursuant to Iowa Code section 84A.4.

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